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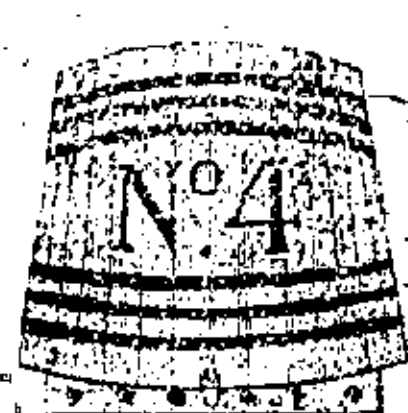
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Hongkong, May 1, 1907. 793

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THE HIGHLANDS.
Kowloon.

Hongkong, May 1, 1908. 697

CHINESE ENGINEERING & MINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND OF ONE SHILLING AND SIXPENCE per Share free of tax for account of year ending 29th February, 1908, has been declared by the Directors of the Company. Confirmation No. 11 is payable on 1st May, at the Chartered Bank of India, Australia and China, and the Russo-Chinese Bank at Tientsin and Shanghai.

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents.
Hongkong, May 1, 1908. 611

RUSSIAN LANGUAGE.

AN English-Russian dictionary pupils apply to the undersigned for a copy of the same. Box 203, G.P.O.
Hongkong, April 24, 1908. 630

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.
During the absence of Mr C. H. D. GRACE, of the law firm of Messrs GRACE & CO., the undersigned has been appointed ACTING SECRETARY.

H. P. WHITE,
Hongkong, April 1, 1908. 623

NOTICE.

THE CHAMBER OF MINES LABOUR IMPORTATION AGENCY, LTD., having been placed in liquidation, the business assets and liabilities of the above named Agency have been taken over by the INTERNATIONAL NATIVE LABOUR ASSOCIATION, LTD. All accounts in future to be rendered in the name of the above named Association.

H. W. KEMPSTER,
General Manager in China.
Hongkong, April 28, 1908. 649

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Hongkong, April 24, 1908. 667

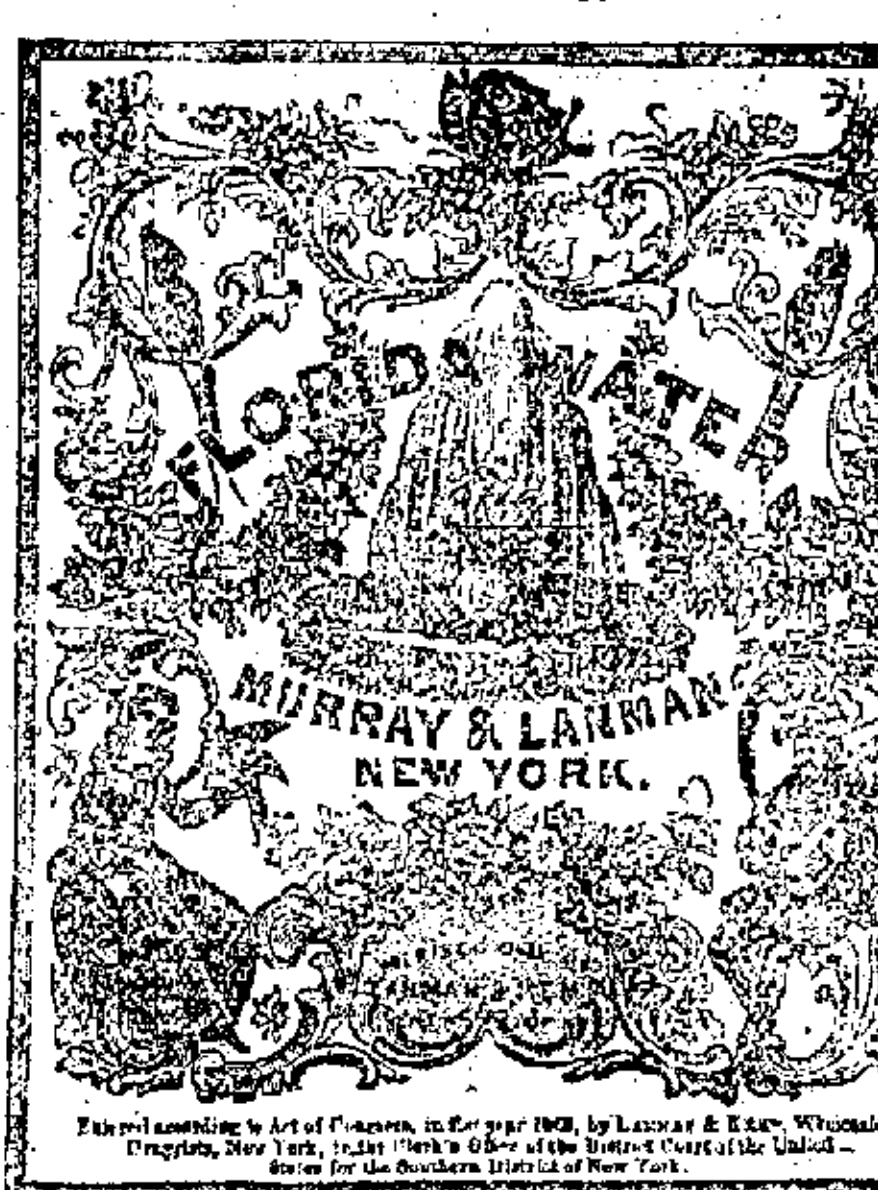
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Hongkong, April 28, 1908. 650

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P. FORSTER NICHOLSON,
Hongkong, March 28, 1908. 493

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Hongkong, March 31, 1908. 493

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BIRTH.

FRANKER.—On April 18, at 11.15 a.m., Com-
mander-General, Hankow, the wife of E. H.
FRANKER, Esq., C.M.G., of a Daughter.

MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

Miscellaneous.
10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.—Volunteer Re-
serves—Shooting—Douglas Cup.

MEMOS FOR MONDAY.

Miscellaneous.
Goods per Yarns unclaimed after this
date at Noon will be subject to
rent and landing charges.

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, May 5.—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, &c., at "Myrtle Bank," 51, Mount
Kerlie Road, Peak.2.30 p.m.—Auction of Dress Material,
Felt Hats, &c., at Mr Geo. P. Lam-
mer's Sales Room.5.30 p.m.—Organ Recital, in St. John's
Cathedral.WEDNESDAY, May 6.—
Goods per Delta not cleared at 4 p.m. on
this date subject to rent.Goods per Kalamo undelivered after this
date subject to rent.FRIDAY, May 8.—
Goods per Fyne Steamship undelivered
after this date subject to rent.SATURDAY, May 9.—
Goods per Nippon Maru undelivered after
noon this date subject to rent.THURSDAY, May 14.—
5.15 p.m.—Meeting of Hongkong Club
at Club House.SATURDAY, May 16.—
Noon—Meeting of The National Bank of
China, Ltd., at Bank premises.SATURDAY, May 20.—
Noon—Tenders will be received at the
Office of Colonial Secretary.

NOTICE.

Letters relating to business should be addressed
to THE MANAGERS.Communications relating to notes should be
addressed to THE EDITOR.Correspondents must forward their names
and addresses with any communications ad-
dressed to the Editor; not for publication but
as evidence of good faith.All letters for publication should be written
on one side of the paper only.No anonymously signed communications that
have already appeared in other papers will be
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Rogers will be generally felt that Mr
Roosevelt is so losing his grip upon the
same portion of the American people
that he has been compelled to appeal
to the baser passions of the disreputable
and discontented instead of to the
intelligence of the whole country. On
previous occasions Mr Roosevelt has
shown a tendency to do things on the
impulse of the moment. The dis-
bandment of a company of negro
troops—an action which brought upon
the President the humiliation of a public
centenary—was a good illustration of Mr
Roosevelt's unfortunate proneness to
act upon impulse rather than upon
reflection. That the President of the
United States is a splendid character is
beyond dispute, but we doubt very much
whether posterity will rank him high as a
statesman. Gifted with a remarkable
mental equipment he has been denied
the most important endowment of all—
a judicial mind. Although he is Pre-
sident of a great democracy he bears
himself as an autocrat. It is palpable
that his policy is not determined by the
advice of his Administration: it is the
policy of Theodore Roosevelt simply and
solely. American under the Roosevelt
regime, by contrast, shows the ex-
cellence of our British Constitution.
Our gracious sovereign is not trammelled
by party obligations. Were it other-
wise we would hear of His Majesty, if a
Unionist Government is in power after
the next general election, saying in his
speech to the Throne something to this
effect: "We are glad to note that the
blatant pro-Boer Mr So-and-So and the
egregious and bumptious Mr What-
his-name have met the fate they
richly deserved at the hands

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The mission from Nepal to Peking was
to be presented to the Throne to-day by
the Board of Dependencies.The current "Government Gazette"
contains a list of treaty ports, ports of call,
and places open to foreign trade in the Far
East.Russia has consented to abolish its
Municipal Council at Hsichin and to place
the administration of Hsichin in the hands
of the Customs Tientsin there.The whole of the buildings of the
electricity generation station at Kujio,
Kyoto, were destroyed by fire on April 19.
The losses are estimated at £100,000.The Anglo-Chinese Tibetan treaty has
been duly ratified and the Grand Council
has decided to establish telegraph and
postal administration as well as police in
Tibet and has wired to Chao-Erh-fong
to take steps to carry out the measures.The Peking Board of Communications
has consulted with the acting Viceroy of
Chihli about the proposal made by Viceroy
Hsi Shih-chung to despatch China Mer-
chant steamers to Antung-shen to
complete with foreign steamers. The acting
Viceroy Yang Shih-huang has ordered the
bureau concerned to state its views on
the matter.The Peking Board of Education has
proposed to grant rewards to the professors
and officials of the Peking University,
their term of five years having expired and
also to grant decorations to Japanese pro-
fessors of laws and political sciences of the
Peking University who have served a term
of five years; the proposals have been duly
granted by the Throne.The Contarini in connection with the
Italian Convent commenced to-day, by a
service and sermon in Chinese. A sermon
will also be preached in Portuguese, to-
morrow (Sunday), and a third in English
on Monday. There is to be High Mass
on Tuesday morning and in the evening
the convent building is to be illuminated in
honour of this historic occasion.It is reported that another daily and
four additional weekly newspapers will ap-
pear shortly in Shanghai. The field of
weekly publication will then be decidedly
crowded and it seems to become a question
of the survival of the fittest. At least two
of these weekly papers will enter into com-
petition with "The Eastern Sketch," and
"The Bund" respectively, the latter of
which, following upon the recent change of
proprietorship, has shown a distinct im-
provement and has cut adrift from a doubtful
past.—"N.C. Daily News."

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Lieut-Col. J. M. Reid has been appointed
a member of the Sanitary Board, in place
of Colonel H. Martin.Leave of absence for one year has been
granted Captain W. Nicholson, of the
Hongkong Volunteer Corps.Mr T. Fumoto, the Japanese Vice-Consul
at Hankow, proceeds to Hongkong, while
Mr Ihara is appointed to Hankow.In place of Mr A. McKirdy who is
leaving the Colony for a holiday, Mr G. G.
Wood of Messrs Leigh and Orange, has
been unanimously elected hon. treasurer of
the Corinthian Yacht Club.A Tokyo wire to the "N.C. D. News,"
dated April 28, says: Major-General
Broadwood arrived at Port Arthur
yesterday, with a view to visiting the
battlegrounds in Manchuria.After 15 years' connection with the
Docks at Kowloon Mr W. Hutcheson left
for Hong Kong to-day. Before his departure he
was presented with a gold keyless watch as
a mark of the esteem in which he was held.
The presentation was made by Mr W.
Stewart, and was supported by speeches
by several others. Mr Hutcheson suitably
responded.Mr A. McKirdy, of Quarry Bay and
Treasurer of the Corinthian Yacht Club,
was presented with a handsomely fitted
suit case and travelling rug prior to his
departure for home. He left on the
Devonshire to-day. Mr Scott made the
presentation, and Mr McKirdy highly
highly. Last night Mr McKirdy and a
number of friends were gathered at the Kin-
Edward Hotel and Mr McKirdy was
cordially "sent off."The departure of Messrs Blake and
Harvie, of Quarry Bay, who leave for home
after long connection with the Tai-
Sung works, was the occasion of an ex-
hibition of respect by their many friends
at Quarry Bay. An illuminated address
was presented to each, and the presentation
was made by Mr W. Murray Scott, the
Manager of the Refinery, who spoke in
highly complimentary strains of the re-
spondents. Both replied expressing their
regret upon leaving their connection with
Quarry Bay and Hongkong.

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LETTERS ON LIFE.

No. III.

THE HEATHEN.

HONGKONG, April, 1908.

Dear Man—It is a good thing that
you are at one end of the world and I
am at the other for I should never have
got very far in my championship of
that section of the community which
you and others in the pride of your
superior education call "the heathen."I had you been sitting in a long chair
opposite to me here. I can well imagine
how you would have squashed flat any
poor defence of the infidel I could
make, and then politely suggested a
game of patience. As it is you probably
will not play the game of patience to
the extent of reading this letter all the
way through, though if you do not
remember it will be a walk over for me
in the game.For a long time I have been very
puzzled as to what the term heathen
includes, though to explain why I must
begin by telling an anecdote which at
first may seem to have nothing to do
with the subject; but you will see the
connection later. When I last went
home on a visit to England I procured
a pair of Japanese cats which I took
home as a present to my mother. The
little tail-less animals were regarded
with great curiosity in the country place
where she lives. People came literally
from miles to see them. Amongst
others there arrived one day a visitor,
who, I think, might best be described
as a very good woman. She was one of
those people with whom religion, so
called, is an accomplishment as well as
a birthright, but she was inclined to
disbelief where the proverb, "Charity
begins at home," is concerned. Trust-
fully leaving her own home and affairs
in the hands of Providence she spent
her whole time in looking after and
reforming "others." She visited every
house and cottage in the district, indis-
criminately and without waiting to be
asked to call; she endeavoured to instil
into the young idea of the place a just
view of the claims of the Church of
England on the adherence of all and
sundry; as for the numbers of "moral
pocket handkerchiefs," she had caused
to be sent to foreign and unenlightened
lands for use among the natives—it was
impossible to estimate their number.
This worthy was deeply interested in
the Japanese cats and gathered from me
all the information she could about
their morals, diet, etc., etc., and then
put a final question with a slightly
confidential manner.

"Are they clean, my dear?"

"Beautifully clean," I assured her.

"They wash themselves daily all over
from head to tail.""Strange it is not," she said re-
flectively, "because of course they are
really little heathens."Well, you see, this little incident first
set me thinking about the heathen and
what a comprehensive term it is, if it
includes the whole animal world outside
those three hundred millions of people
who profess Christianity.From thinking generally, one natu-
rally concentrates one's study in course
of time, and lately I have been busy
considering this subject of the heathen
as it concerns our Colony here in the
bit of world we have grabbed from the
infidels and where we are supposed to
be exerting a civilizing and a Christian
influence. Of course the Chinese are
the heathen of all heathens. That has
been a well-known fact ever since the
publication of a famous poem by Bret
Harte in which he so aptly describes the
character of one cunning Celestial, that
upon his description many great men
have based their knowledge of the
Chinese character generally.To you, my reader, for instance
that the world-famous patriot, Mr. Kier
Hardie, confessed, when interviewed
during his visit here last year, that his
whole previous information respecting
John Chinaman he had gathered from
"The Heathen Chinese," and was
agreeably surprised to find there was
anything else to learn.One fact that always strikes me as
curious, and one might add slightly
incongruous, about our dealings with
the natives here is this—we openly
despise them for being infidels, and yet
it is a well-known fact that there are
very few European families in the
Colony who do not choose or even insist
on having heathen in preference to
Christian servants to wait upon them.
Another curious thing is that though
we white people have been taught from
our youth upward that example is better
than precept, not a day passes but we
openly break, or at any rate, crack, one
or other of the ten commandments
which it is considered essential to our
religion we should keep.We must of us worship an idol of
some kind, whether it be money, fame,
or the great ego. Some are inclined to
strong language, others to coveting a
friend's wife, his servants and many
things that he has. Who is there
amongst us who does not love to tell
or to listen to naughty little untruthful
tales about our neighbours' doings?
Even that almost unmentionable law
known as the seventh commandment, I
am afraid occasionally, is infringed.

A DEVELOPMENT IN PEKING.

The cry of "new lamps for old" has
taken on within the Forbidden City of
Peking, a significance that approaches the
literal and which is at the same time
marvellously suggestive of things Chinese
from one end of the Empire to the other.
The Empress Dowager seeing in the re-
cently reported "accidents" that seem to
threaten conflagrations in the immediate
vicinity of the Imperial Palace, and doubt-
less also moved thereby by the persistent
rumours of sinister intention on the part
of rebellious disaffected residents or so-
journers at the Capital, has caused an order
to be issued for the lighting of the Imperial
city with electricity. This is a change from
the primitive to the advanced without any
of the usual intermediate stages or pro-
cesses. It is, we believe, correct to affirm
that from early time to the present the
Imperial Court and its precincts have been
illuminated by candlelight—kerosene and
other highly inflammable materials have
not been in use; gas has not been in
evidence—there has been no order of de-
velopment from the simple to the complex,
from the primitive to the highly organized.It is in accordance with the fitness of
things that candles used for lighting courts
should not be as were the candles in the
most hut of the ancient peasant. From
most elaborate artistic creations in wax to
poor devices for shedding the glimmering
ray that serves but to render "darkness
visible," there is scope for every possible
ingenuity of talent in construction and for
vast variety. Yet candles are no doubt one
of the earliest methods, if not the original
principal mode of affording
artificial light. When the first fathers
of the race discovered how to kindle
fire they probably found that fatty
substances were capable of sustaining
ignition and of being readily formed into
small cylindrical bodies on some kind
of wick so as to constitute a portable light
for domestic use. China has been satisfied
even in high places with candles and
peat-nut oil until within the past few
decades kerosene came into vogue.Nothing could be more instructive than
the rapid displacement in the Southern
provinces of the old lamps by the kerosene
lamp. It would be as easy now to find
houses in Kwangtung lighted with oil
of the ancient type as to find men
fighting these lamps; not with matches,
but with flint and steel and tinder
box. They still exist but rarely and in out
of the way places. In the new method
there was an obvious advance and its
advantages were too striking and too
manifest to leave room for doubt on the
part of a practical minded people. To a
few of the chief centres of commerce and
industry in the empire the electric light
has now come to stay, to spread, therefrom
into other centres and to be adopted widely
throughout the provinces. That it is
now to light the Forbidden City of
Peking affords much matter for reflection
apart altogether from the special
causes for its introduction. Can cities
be in any sinister sense "forbidden" that
are thus lighted? We know not. Much
excitedness and many fables, a world of
stereotyped Oriental privilege from which
others are debarred with all the attendant
and consequent absurdities, must needs
vanish when the scientific inventions and
discoveries of the West are introduced in
any form. Improved methods of lighting
have always marked the progress of civiliza-
tion and been typical of awakened minds.
Let us hope also of gentler kindly rays
gradually diffused throughout the higher
spheres of the moral and the spiritual till
the whole nature is enlightened "having no
past dark."AUSTRALIAN NEWSPAPER MAN'S
EXPERIENCE WITH DIARRHOEA.MR S. G. Mellers, publisher of Chro-
nicle, Newcastle, Queensland,
writes: "Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and
Diarrhoea Remedy completely cured me
of chronic dysentery from which I had
suffered for years. I feel confident that this
remedy also saved the life of my infant
daughter, who when teething was severely
attacked with diarrhoea and was given up
by the doctors." For sale by all chemists
and druggists.

THAMES IN FLOOD.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)
London, May 1.
There have been floods in the Upper Thames Valley.
The flood waters at Henley and Maidenhead are at a higher level than was attained during the great flood of 1903.

PORTUGAL'S KING.

POLICY OF REFORM.

(Exclusive Service, supplied by Reuters, via Bombay.)
London, May 1.
King Manuel in his speech at the opening of the first Cortes announced drastic modifications in the Customs Tariff, reforms of the Police, Army and Navy, the development of the Colonies, and the regulation of native labour and labour emigration.

An Appeal to His Country.

King Manuel has opened the Cortes, with great state.
In the speech from the Throne, His Majesty swore to govern according to the laws and to seek inspiration from the Sovereigns who were a glory to the monarchical system and a blessing to nations.
The King invoked his father's terrible martyrdom as a summons to all to unite on behalf of the country's peace and progress.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

JAPANESE MINISTER.

RECALLED.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)
Peking, May 1.
The Japanese Minister has instructions from his Home Government to leave Peking. His Excellency was admitted into an audience, with the Empress Dowager and Emperor and leaves here shortly.
[Baron Hayashi leaves Peking to be transferred to some other post. Mr. Tani, formerly Consul-General at Hankow, will be appointed Japanese Minister at Peking.]

CHINA AND CHILI.

WU TING FANG'S MEMORIAL.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)
Peking, May 1.
Wu Ting Fang, Chinese minister to America, has wired to say that the Chinese merchants in Chili have represented to him to memorialise the Throne for the appointment of a Chinese minister there.
Wu Ting Fang desires to know what will be the decision of the Government and whether or not it is sufficient to establish a consulate there in stead.

THE LIANG HU VICEROY.

ARRIVES AT WUCHANG.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)
Hankow, May 1.
Chan Kwei Lung, who has been appointed Viceroy of the Liang Hu provinces, over which Chang Chih Tung had ruled for a number of years, has arrived at Wuchang, the provincial capital and takes over the seat of government.

DISORDER IN ANHUI.

MAGISTRATE MISSING.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)
Shanghai, May 1.
The Magistrate's Yamen in Yinghsien, Anhui province, which was set fire to as reported in yesterday's wire, has been reduced to ashes.
The Magistrate is missing. The district is in a state of disorder.
A regiment of soldiers has been despatched by the Governor of Anhui to restore order.

STEARNS' HEADACHE CURE.—That headache of yours, whatever the cause, can be relieved in less than ten minutes by Stearns' and no other cure. All chemists.

RUSSIA IN JAPAN.

(From Our Correspondent.)
Tokyo, May 2.
The St. Petersburg Legation was raised to the state of an Embassy yesterday.

THE LOST MATSUSHIMA.

THE DEATH-ROLL.

(From Our Correspondent.)
Tokyo, May 2.
The loss of life owing to the sinking of the training cruiser Matsushima, off the Pescadores, is stated to be 200.
The cruiser Tokiwa and the Kurashiki Maru are proceeding to the Pescadores to render assistance.

UNREST IN SOUTH CHINA.

CITY CAPTURED BY REBELS.

(Chinese Mail's Service.)
Hankow, May 1.
Hokow, Yunnan, was attacked and captured by the rebels on the night of April 30. The Chinese soldiers who were to protect the city, did not offer any resistance. Reinforcements are being sent to the vicinity by the Government of Yunnan.
The loss of Hokow to the rebels has caused a sensation among the Chinese merchants who have dealings with Yunnan.

(Private cablegrams reached the Colony yesterday confirming this news.—E.M.)

COLLAPSE AT CANTON.

(From Our Correspondent.)
Canton, May 1.
Yesterday afternoon at 5 p.m. the building occupied by a commercial guild in Sai Kwan collapsed. It occurred so suddenly that the entire neighbourhood was frightened. No loss of life is reported.

VICEROY CHANG'S MOVEMENTS.

(From Our Correspondent.)
Canton, May 1.
Viceroy Chang arrived at Shanghai at 10 o'clock on the morning of the 28th. He was met by the Prefect and the Civil and Military Authorities. He has left again for Wuchow via Tientsin. At Wuchow His Excellency will see the Governor of Kwangsi, for whom he has instructions from the Throne in regard to politics. After seeing the Governor, Viceroy Chang returns immediately to Canton which will probably be on the 6th instant.

THE STORM AT HANKOW.

Hankow, April 25.
A typhoonlike storm has destroyed most of the warehouses and piers, connecting the banks with the shore. The steamers took shelter on the opposite bank of the river. The Midland is seriously damaged. Hanglight is flooded, the cargo is damaged and partly jettisoned. The steamer Kiangfoo is also damaged. A number of houses, including the Cigarette Company's godown, is unroofed. Much other damage is done.

REVIEW.

Hons D'O'URVILLE. By A. Michie, Messrs Kelly and Walsh, Ltd.
This book is a collection of pieces in prose and verse reproduced from the pages of Blackwood's Magazine, The Graphic, Sport and Gossip and the Pictorial Echo. The writer is Mr. A. Michie of the Imperial Customs service who, we understand, is a son of the author of An Englishman in China. The book is very well got up, the paper, binding and printing are all of a high standard. The pieces are of a high standard of excellence. We read them all with great interest and pleasure and could wish that the space taken up by the poetry had been devoted to stories as good as a Chinese Dinner Party, A Night's Adventure or A Chinese Fluke. We commend to our Chinese servants, to the careful consideration of every Bachelor in Hongkong. The price of the book is £1.50.

MANY a person's life is rendered miserable by distressing weakness that can be quickly cured by the use of a good blood purifier and tonic—such as Stearns' Wine of Cod Liver Oil. This remarkable remedy produces wonderful results.

THE BOYCOTT.

(From Our Correspondent.)

Canton, May 1.

Besides the very strong organisation of Chinese merchants in Hongkong, Straits, Canton, Australia and America, other agreements have been signed by guilds to support the movement. Yesterday the firm dealing in marine products signed a similar undertaking which consists of ten clauses and each of these 'merchants' have considered that they have been slighted by the statement from Japan that China must look to Japan for marine products and the agreement that they have signed was intended to show that China can go on without marine products from Japan. The principles of "Freedom of trade" are being extensively preached in both Canton and Hongkong and placed beyond these parts. Every care is being taken by the natives to avoid official interference. At Wuchow although an official notice has been issued forbidding mass meetings, the merchants maintain their policy and are working indirectly towards the object they have in view, while the native press one and all advocate the development of their own natural resources, their articles are so ingeniously worded that while agitating in the most forcible way for the maintenance of the boycott they keep themselves always within bounds as to allow the Chinese officials or the Japanese Government to have no excuse to interfere.

The directors of the Sinking Railway Company have decided to buy no more Japanese coal. Arrangements are being made with firms in Hongkong to buy Australian coal in future.

Conditions in Sydney.

Mr. Tokuda, the Acting Consul-General at Sydney, who was replaced by Mr. Iyema, returned to Nagasaki by the Kure Maru. Talking of the conditions in Sydney Mr. Tokuda said:—The Chinese boycott movement broke out on the day following the departure of the Kure Maru. There are about 1,000 Chinese in Sydney and two Chinese daily papers are published. Should their decision grow firm and regulate the situation will assume a serious aspect. All Australian papers criticized Japanese policy in Manchuria as the first revolution of her ambition in industrial expansion. The Australians are therefore eyeing Japan and Japanese with somewhat cautious eyes and special attention. That the Commonwealth Government has decided to welcome the American Pacific Squadron seems to have a great deal of political meaning. It is supposed to have come out that in case Japan and China threaten to attack Australia at some future date the Commonwealth Government will rely on the American Fleet in the Philippine. The boycott movement in Australia will probably have no serious influence except on the cargo of the N.Y.K. liner.

A Sane View.

The "Kobe Herald," on April 22, said editorially: The manner in which all classes of the people are joining in the agitation, the sacrifices of stocks in hand, and personal property which have been made to further the boycott, and, not least, the very remarkable demonstrations by Chinese women, including a number occupying good positions—all these things go to show that the movement is in the main the spontaneous outcome of a genuine, if misguided, wave of popular feeling. Also, indeed, the less reason to question the motives of the prime movers in the boycott because the probability seems to us that the losses which it will occasion will be no means falling wholly on the Japanese. Now a few Chinese dealers in certain lines of goods at Hongkong have been trading almost exclusively in Japanese products, and these men stand to lose heavily by their adherence to the movement.

Under these circumstances the repeated allegations by some correspondents of Japanese papers that the boycott is being fostered by British, American, and German firms, although none of them have put forward a particle of proof in support of the assertion, seem to us singularly unwarranted. Chinese merchants are not selfish if not good men of business, and it is safe to assume that they are too shrewd to allow themselves to be made catpaws of foreign agitators at Hongkong. A little consideration should suffice to show that it is by no means to the interest of foreign purchasers to encourage the Cantonese in the belief, which gives signs of becoming chronic, of their being to be boycotted. It is a more rational policy to induce them to buy from the Americans have not yet forgotten their own unpleasant experiences a few years ago, the British will ally themselves to the boycott, whenever some nationality happens to incur their displeasure. The Americans have not yet forgotten their own unpleasant experiences a few years ago, the British will ally themselves to the boycott, whenever some nationality happens to incur their displeasure. The Americans have not yet forgotten their own unpleasant experiences a few years ago, the British will ally themselves to the boycott, whenever some nationality happens to incur their displeasure.

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PAIN IN THE STOMACH.—It is most annoying, as well as disagreeable, to be troubled with pain in the stomach, and there is no need of it for one dose of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, and the pain will be relieved. For sale by all chemists and druggists.

COMPANY MEETING.

The Hongkong Electric Co., Limited.

The nineteenth ordinary general meeting of the shareholders of the Hongkong Electric Co., Limited, was held at the Company's offices, St. George's Building, to-day. Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar presided and there were present, Sir Paul Chater, Dr. Noble, Messrs T. Skinner, A. H. M. da Silva, G. Harrett, F. Graham, Acting Manager; J. F. Wright, W. A. Dowley, G. J. B. Sayre, R. Roberts, L. E. Ozorio, and O. Baptista. The acting manager read the notice convening the meeting. The Chairman said:—Gentlemen: The report and statement of accounts having been in your hands for some time, I propose, with your permission to take them as read. The Directors are pleased to come before you with what appears to them, as I feel sure it will to you, such a satisfactory report of the year's working. It shows a further expansion in the Company's operations, our services now equalling upwards of 47,000 lamps, 8 candle power, 85 are lamps and 24 lifts, against 44,300 lamps, 85 are lamps and 29 lifts at the date of our last report, and with the reduction made in cost of current supplied as from 1st March of this year we have good grounds for looking for a further extension of our operations. Our plant account shows a considerable increase mainly due to payment for the two Diesel alternator sets of 300 H.P. each. These are just about completed, and we trust to have them working during the month. The Land and Building Account also shows a considerable increase, due in large measure to renewals and alterations preparatory to putting in the Diesel Engines. Our stock of installation material, coal and stores stand at almost the same amount as last year. Sundry debtors show an increase over last year, but since closing the accounts, fully half of that amount has been collected. The Balance of Profit and Loss Account amounts to \$129,577.13 and after deducting \$3,000.00 for Directors' fees a sum of \$126,577.13 remains available for appropriation and your Directors propose to deal with this as follows:—To pay a Dividend of 10 per cent—say \$12,657.71; to pay a bonus of 2 per cent—say \$2,531.54; to write off Plant Account for depreciation \$3,000.00; to write off from Land and Building Account \$25,000.00; to pay a bonus to staff \$3,350.00; to carry forward to next Account \$9,321.43; making a total of \$120,637.13. I trust this proposal will meet with your sanction and approval, and being an increase of 2 per cent over last year's return to shareholders. The continued writing down of the Plant Account is essential especially in view of the adoption of Diesel engines by the Company for the greater working efficiency of the plant and such a necessary part of the business. The writing down of the Property Account is necessary as the Station Buildings are nearly 20 years old and the money spent on this account during the year has been expended in alterations and renewals rather than on additional buildings. Further expansion under this head will be necessary, and will have to be met by whether future extensions of plant are made with oil or steam. I am sure the bonus to the staff which is equal to one month's salary will commend itself to you. Finally, and being an increase of 2 per cent, I am sure you will be glad to see it recorded in the dividend. The shareholders may have confidence in the Company's endeavours to maintain a steady and satisfactory dividend and at the same time make good provision for the inevitable depreciation of plant and such like assets. In the Chairman's speech last year he mentioned that it might be necessary at no distant date to increase our capital. The necessity has not arisen during the year, and the Directors are hopeful of being able to finance any increase in plant, etc., which may occur during the present year without having to raise fresh capital.

Before moving the adoption of the report I shall be pleased to answer any questions. No questions being asked the chairman then moved the adoption of the report. Mr. Noble then said: I rise with pleasure to second the adoption of the report and statement of accounts as presented, and also to congratulate the Board of Directors and the staff on the completion of another very satisfactory year's work, which is after all only one of many very successful preceding ones.

"Mr. Dowley seconded and the report was adopted. The appointment of the Hon Mr. H. Bonwick, Mr. E. G. Harrett and Mr. J. W. C. Bonnar to the Board of Directors, the resignation of the Hon Mr. W. J. Gresson, Mr. G. H. Medhurst, and Mr. A. G. Wood who have retired their seats, was confirmed. Sir Paul Chater and the Hon Mr. H. Bonwick were elected directors on the proposition of Mr. G. J. B. Sayre, seconded by Mr. A. H. M. da Silva.

Mr. T. Skinner proposed that Messrs Hutton Poole and Mr. C. W. May be elected directors. Mr. Chater seconded and this was agreed to.

The Acting manager said:—Chairman and Gentlemen: On behalf of the members of the staff, I express my thanks for the bonus which you have just voted to us. The Chairman. That is all the business gentlemen. Dividend warrants will be ready on Monday.

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A Japanese named Nakamura Katsuhide, a native of Yamaguchi province, who has for some time been carrying on a business in Chongqing, has been ordered to be deported from Korea for two years. It has been discovered that this man has been selling rice and ammunition to Koreans without reporting the fact to the authorities.

CHINESE LABOURERS.

Wanted by Germany.

(From Our Correspondent.)

Canton, April 30.
The Taoist of Swatow reports that a communication has been received from Germany who are desirous of recruiting Chinese labourers for the development of an island belonging to Germany.
The Taoist states that no Chinese consent having been appointed in the island, notice has been issued advising the labourers not to go. However the matter is still under consideration between the German firms concerned and the official in charge of foreign affairs in Swatow.

SPORTING.

Billiards.

The billiard match which has been arranged between the Chinese Club and the Y. M. C. A. members takes place next week commencing on Tuesday.

Home Sporting.

SCOTTISH FOOTBALL.

In the latest fleet from Home, to hand per English mail, a great deal has been written with regard to the great international football match between the Scots and the English, which was to have been played at Hampden Park, Glasgow, on Saturday, April 11. From a Scottish point of view it was looked forward to with great interest and no little anxiety, as the selectors had chosen what was considered to be a purely experimental side. Howie (Newcastle) had been chosen to partner Walker (Hearts) on the wing and by thus playing them both got over the difficulty of discarding one or the other. Wilson (Sheffield Wednesday) is once more the pivot of the team. In the popular mind there was always a doubt whether he or Quinn (Glasgow) would be chosen for this position, but the selectors solved the problem in surprise fashion by playing the latter at outside left. Many will regret the absence of Lennie, Aberdeen's clever winger, though probably more stamina is required to face Crumpton. Aitken and Williams are again with the halves, with Thomson between them. McNair and Sharp are the two backs, while McBride will defend the sticks.

The English eleven, it is said, cannot be called brilliant, but its members are all experienced men. Eight of them have played against Ireland and Wales this year, so it may be taken as the possible.

A MISSISSIPPI TORNADO.

JACKSON, Mississippi, April 27.
The fearful tornado that on Saturday devastated three States was more disastrous than first reported. The dead list now numbers 368. The ruins of 46 towns mark the path of the destroyer through Louisiana, Mississippi and Alabama. The suddenness of the disaster, and the unusual velocity with which it travelled made it almost impossible for those in its path to seek any sort of refuge.

U. S. SCANDAL.

WASHINGTON, April 27.
The talk of the capital to-day centres about the scandal that has developed in connection with the charges of Congressman George Lilley of Connecticut that the Holland Submarine Boat Company in financial straits to vote against the President's programme of four Dreadnoughts and in favour of a number of submarines double that recommended by the Navy Department's plans.

The Congressional investigation of these charges has revealed the fact that Congressman Lilley is the agent in Congress of the Lake Submarine Company, a concern that is a little rival of the Holland Submarine Company. This turn in the matter has created great excitement in official circles.

Financial recriminations are heard in many quarters and other nations pending in Congress are somewhat overshadowed by the interest in the investigation.

Congressman George Lilley was a real estate man before he entered the House as Congressman at large in 1903.

COMMERCIAL.

It is reported that the Peking Syndicate will operate the iron mine at Fenghuangshan.

The Peking Government has decided to build a railway between Cheongfing and Tachow but the concession will be given to the French Concessionaires.

Tai Tse, the President of the Chinese Board of Finance, has wired to viceroys and governors of provinces to present views about the issue of national bonds and also about the circulation of foreign bank notes in the interior.

The Peking Government is considering the establishment of a bank of Agriculture, Works and Commerce with a capital of five million taels, the shares to be held by Chinese only.

The Chinese applicants at Canton seem to be trying to take advantage of the present feelings of the people and have placed before the public a prospectus for the formation of a cotton-manufacturing Company. The proposed capital of the Company is \$100,000, half of which has been underwritten by the promoters themselves, and the remaining half is open to the public. The supply of wool for the factory will be obtained from the north whither a representative of the Company has been sent to make the necessary arrangements. Wool suitable for the purpose can also be obtained from Kwangsi. The directors who are very representative of the business circles are sanguine that with the formation of the Company no foreign substitute will be needed to meet the demand, and there is no reason why the undertaking should not be a success, since the promoters are persons in whom the public has confidence.

THE YARN MARKET.

Messrs Phillips & Co., report under date of May 1: Our last report was dated the 17th April. The interval has witnessed sharp drop in silver exchange although the advance in prices has not corresponded thereto. The market throughout the fortnight has been a steady one, inquiry running principally on No. 208, which with a materially reduced stock, advanced from \$1 to \$1.25 per bale according to \$1. Selected threads of this count being merely held, there is no likelihood of a recession in quotations therefor. In all other counts there has been an advance in rates of from \$1.50 to \$1 per bale. The aggregate sales have been 6,994. To reduce the congestion in the Japanese yarn market, the Japanese Spinners' Union has resolved upon a cessation of night work for five months besides a stoppage of work for five days monthly. The application of this plan to the export of cotton yarn will, according to called report, have the effect of reducing the former production by about one-half. The Chinese boycott of Japanese trade, reported in our last circular, still abounds in Hongkong and South China with the same intensity as a fortnight ago. No. 208.—A fair business is reported at an advance of \$1 to \$1.25 per bale. No. 165.—In moderate demand at an advance of \$1.25 to \$2. No. 128.—Not in much request. Prices show a slight improvement. No. 105.—Ruled steady at quotations. No. 88.—A moderate business at present. No. 65.—A moderate business at present. Market closes firm. Sales:—150 bales of No. 65, 2,000 bales of No. 105, 500 bales of No. 128, 200 bales of No. 165, and 1,600 bales of No. 208; in all about 5,800 bales.

Arrivals.—Per steamers Catherine Apear, Kaitang and Ousang (from Swatow) and China, Kagoshima Maru and Delta (from Bombay) of about 4,000 bales. Unsold Stock:—About 20,000 bales. Unfreighted Stock:—About 21,000 bales.

FINANCIAL REPORT.

In their weekly share report, dated last May, Messrs Vernon and Smyth state:—A fairly steady investment business has been transacted during the past week, and our market closes with a firm tendency in most stocks. Barislor has fallen to 24.5, and sterling exchange has declined in sympathy to 1/10 T.T. The T.T. rate on Shanghai has continued steady, and without change at 74. Bank.—Hongkong and Shanghai have ruled firmer with fair sales at \$69.25, and but few shares are now available at the rate. London continues to quote \$73.10s. Nationals and most business, but are still required for \$51.

Marine Insurance.—No business is reported in this section, and rates are practically without change.

For Insurance.—Chinas, have been booked at the improved rate of \$91, and are in further request. Hongkong are still required for \$89.10, but no shares appear to be available at this rate.

Shipping.—Hongkong, Canton and Amoy have been booked at \$29, and more shares can be placed at this figure. Under \$29, Indo-China are also firmer at \$28 and \$24 for the Preferred and Deferred combined after sales at the rate. China and Manila and Douglas are procurable at \$18 and \$40 respectively, and Star Ferries at \$22 for the old, and \$18 for the new. Shell Transports have been booked at \$45, and close steady.

Refineries.—China Sugars have ruled steady at \$13 with sales, and close with a firm tendency. There is no change to report in Luans which remain at \$16.

It is reported that the Peking Syndicate will operate the iron mine at Fenghuangshan.

The Peking Government has decided to build a railway between Cheongfing and Tachow but the concession will be given to the French Concessionaires.

A PATRIOTIC EDITOR.

Dies On Account of the Tatsu Maru Case.

(From Our Correspondent.)
Canton, April 29.
The death at Canton on 28th instant of Chau Yin Ching, age 26, is a unique one. This man has been an editor for some time with Singapore and Hongkong native papers, and according to native reports always had the welfare of his country at heart, and was always mindful of current state affairs. He was overworked with sorrow for his country upon the detention of the Tatsu Maru case. He made speeches every day before large congregations and on every occasion wept over the distress and helplessness of the Government. As the result of his labours for the salvation of his country he became ill, and knowing that he could live no longer he made a most solemn speech before he died. He called upon his younger brother to strive to become a man of use to the country. His death has occasioned considerable comment in the native papers.

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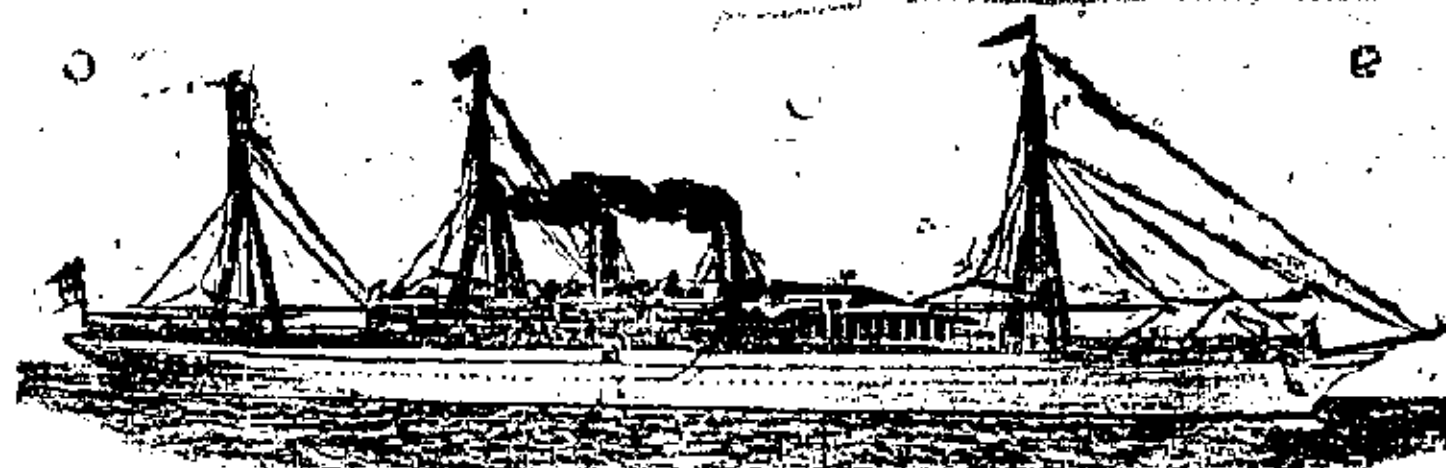
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HAMA	May 10.	Passage.
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SHANGHAI	About 14th May.	Freight and Passage.
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SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.	BUELOW, Capt. H. Fommes.	WEDNESDAY, 6th May, at Noon.
MANILA, NEWGUINEA, SAMARAI, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE.	PRINZ SIGISMUND, Capt. D. Lenz.	THURSDAY, 21st May, at 5 p.m.
YOKOHAMA and KOBE.	PRINZ SIGISMUND, Capt. D. Lenz.	SATURDAY, 2nd May, at 6 p.m.
KUDAT and SANDAKAN.	BORNEO, Capt. F. Samhill.	Middle of May.

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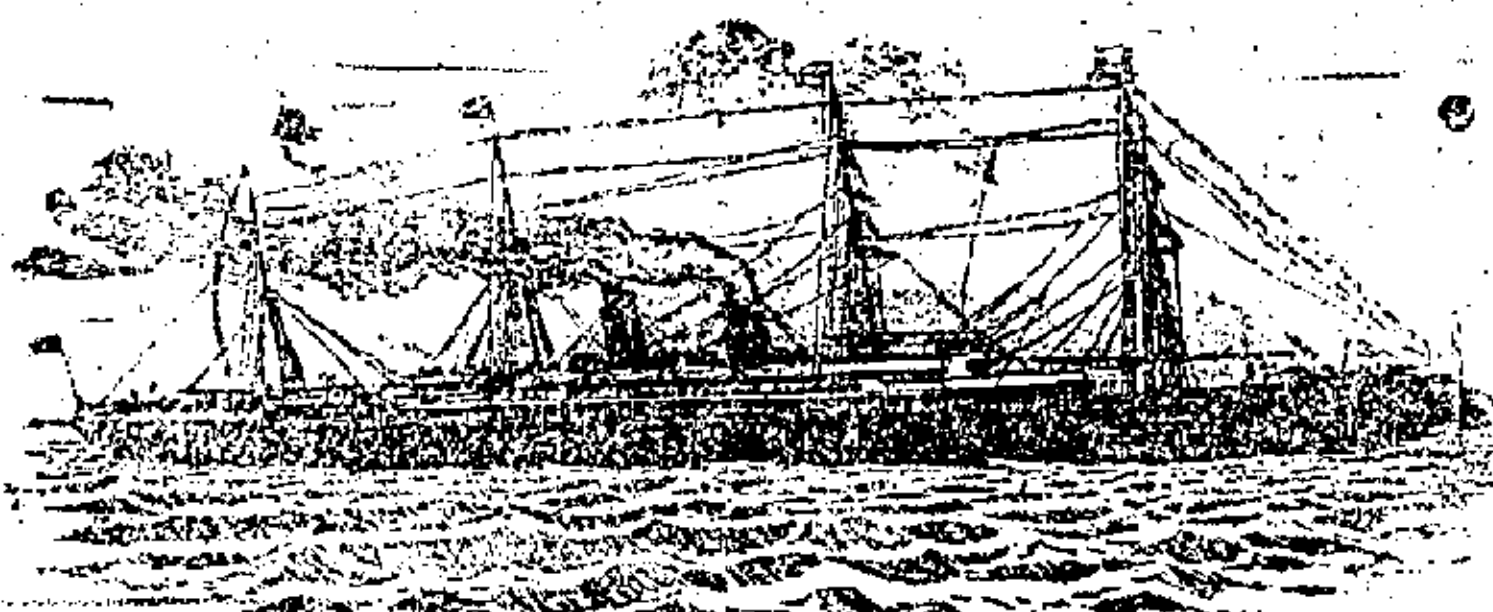
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* ASIA	9,500 Tons, SATURDAY, 16th May, at Noon.
* MONGOLIA	27,000 Tons, SATURDAY, 23rd May, at Noon.
* HONGKONG MARU	11,000 Tons, TUESDAY, 2nd June, at Noon.
* KOREA	18,000 Tons, TUESDAY, 16th June, at Noon.
* AMERICA MARU	11,000 Tons, FRIDAY, 26th June, at Noon.
* SIBERIA	18,000 Tons, SATURDAY, 4th July, at Noon.
* CHINA	10,200 Tons, SATURDAY, 11th July, at Noon.
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FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
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AMOI & SHANGHAI	CHUNG, May 3, at 9 a.m.	
MANILA	YANGKOW, May 4, at 4 p.m.	
SOURABAYA & SAMARANG	SHANTUNG, May 7, at 3 p.m.	
MANILA, ZAMBOANGA, CEBU, CANTON, SHANTUNG, TIENTSIN, PEKING, SHANGHAI, HAIKOW, HOIHOW & HAIKOW	CHINCHU, May 11, at 4 p.m.	

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MOI	HONGKONG, MONDAY, May 4, at 4 p.m.	
SHANGHAI	HOYANG, TUESDAY, May 5, at 4 p.m.	
SHANGHAI	TUNGSHING, WEDNESDAY, May 6, at 4 p.m.	
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will be despatched for the above Ports
on or about FRIDAY, the 15th May, 1908.
For Freight & Passage, apply to
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents,
Hongkong, April 18, 1908. 595

AMERICAN & MANCHURIAN LINE.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
FROM NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ
CANAL.
THE Steamship
KALOMO,
Capt. LINCOLN, having arrived
from the above Ports, and
Goods are hereby informed that their
Goods are being landed at their risk
into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND
KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LTD.,
at Kowloon and stored at Consignees' risk
and expense.
Owing to the steamer having encountered
heavy weather, Consignees are hereby
notified that a General Average Bond must
be signed before Bills of Lading can be
consigned.
All Claims must be presented within fifteen
days of the steamer's arrival here after
which date they cannot be recognised.
No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th
May, will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
Agents,
Hongkong, April 30, 1908. 683

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.
FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
SINGAPORE.
THE Co.'s Steamship Ousang having
arrived from the above Ports, Consignees
of cargo by her are hereby informed that
their Goods will be delivered from
alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge or remain-
ing on board after 4 p.m. on the 2nd
May, will be landed at Consignees' risk and
expense.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, April 30, 1908. 681

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION
COMPANY, LIMITED.
FROM CALCUTTA, PENANG AND
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THE Company's Steamship Kutang
having arrived from the above Ports
Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby
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Cargo impeding the discharge or remain-
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May, will be landed at Consignees' risk and
expense.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, April 27, 1908. 643

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S
STEAMER DELTA.
FROM BOMBAY, COLOMBO AND
SINGAPORE.
CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-
named vessel are hereby informed that
their Goods are being landed and
placed at their risk in the HONGKONG AND
KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY'S
Godowns at Kowloon, where such consign-
ment will be sorted out Mark by Mark and
delivery can be obtained as soon as the
Goods are landed.
This Vessel brings on Cargo:-
From London, &c. ex s.s. Victoria.
From Penang, &c. ex s.s. Victoria.
B. & P.N. Co.'s steamers.
Optional Goods will be landed here unless
instructions are given to the contrary
before 6 hours.
Goods not cleared by the 6th May, at
1 p.m., will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance will be effected by me
in any case whatever.
Damaged Packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Con-
signee's or the Company's representative
at an appointed hour.
All claims must be presented within ten
days of the steamer's arrival here after
which date they cannot be recognised.
No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns.
F. J. ABBOTT,
Acting Superintendent.
Hongkong, April 28, 1908. 686

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
STEAMER YARRA,
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
CONSIGNEES of Cargo from London
ex s.s. Medea, in connection with
the above Steamer, are hereby informed
that their Goods, with the exception
of Opium, Tobacco and Valuable, are
being landed and stored at their risk
into the hazardous and/or extra hazar-
dous Godowns of the HONGKONG AND
KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LTD.,
at Kowloon, where delivery may be ob-
tained immediately after landing.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded on
unless intimation is received from the Con-
signee before Noon, To-day, requesting
it to be landed here.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
the Undersigned, and Goods remaining
undelivered after MONDAY, the 4th May,
at Noon, will be subject to rent and
landing charges.
All claims must be sent in to me on or
before the 4th May, or they will not be
recognised.
All damaged packages will be examined
on MONDAY, the 4th May, at 5 p.m.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
J. A. MILLER,
Agent.
Hongkong, April 27, 1908. 644

IMMENSE DEPOSITS OF GUANO.

On The Ashmore Islands.

Adelaide, March 24.
There are three small islands in the
Indian Ocean, known as the Ashmore
Islands, and for countless ages they have
been the rendezvous of millions of sea
birds, consequently there is an immense
deposit of guano on each, and as the islands
are surrounded by a massive coral reef,
which acts as a breakwater, the landing
places can be approached with safety in
all weathers. The islands are rarely visit-
ed, except by Malay beche-de-mer fisher-
men, who make good hauls of this marine
curiosity in the neighbourhood, and it
remained for an old, South Australian
identity, Mr. J. Wilkinson, who 25 years
ago was well known as one of Messrs. J.
Hill and Co.'s expert whips, to take steps
for marketing the guano.
The islands are situated in latitude
12 deg. south and longitude 124 deg. east,
about 400 miles from the Australian coast,
and 200 miles south of the Island of Timor.
Twenty-five years ago they annexed by
the British Government, but they remained
a "No Man's Land" until December,
1905, when the Government formally took
possession, realising the value of the guano
deposits. The British Government called
for tenders for the right to remove the
manure, and Mr. Wilkinson's offer was
accepted. He then entered into negotia-
tions with an Adelaide Company, and the
option he gave having been accepted, he
came to Adelaide last week, and the
rights were signed. The company is known
as the Ashmore Island and Australian
Fertilisers Company, and arrangements are
now being made for shipment of the guano
from the islands to the mainland. Owing
to the tremendous quantity of guano on
the islands, it is expected that the com-
pany will have several vessels employed for years,
carrying it to the Australian and other
markets which are available. Mr. Wilkin-
son will return to West Australia shortly,
and probably will go to the Ashmore
Islands, with the first vessel sent by the
company, in order to direct operations.

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

IMPERIAL GERMAN MAIL LINE.
NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD. BREMEN.
NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.
THE Steamship
FRANZ SIGISMUND,
having arrived, Consignees of cargo are
hereby informed that their Goods, with the
exception of Opium, Tobacco and Valua-
bles, are being landed and stored at their
disposal in the hazardous and/or extra hazar-
dous Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOW-
LOON WHARF AND GODOWN COMPANY, LIMITED,
at Kowloon and West Point Godowns, where
delivery may be obtained.
No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all goods
remaining undelivered after the 6th of
May, will be subject to rent.
All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods
are to be left in the Godowns, where they
will be examined on Wednesday, 6th
May, at 2 p.m.
All Claims must be presented within fifteen
days of the steamer's arrival here after
which date they cannot be recognised.
No Claims will be admitted after the
Goods have left the Godowns, and all
Goods remaining undelivered after the 6th
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No Fire Insurance has been effected.
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SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
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Goods are landed.
This Vessel brings on Cargo:-
From London, &c. ex s.s. Victoria.
From Penang, &c. ex s.s. Victoria.
B. & P.N. Co.'s steamers.
Optional Goods will be landed here unless
instructions are given to the contrary
before 6 hours.
Goods not cleared by the 6th May, at
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No Fire Insurance will be effected by me
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Damaged Packages must be left in the
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